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In re application of: Sabry et al.

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Title: **A DATABASE SYSTEM FOR
PREDICTIVE CELLULAR BIOFORMATICS****CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION**I hereby certify that this correspondence is being sent by Facsimile to
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AMENDMENT BCommissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 16, 2001 and the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated December 31, 2001, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please **cancel** Claims 15 and 19-28 without prejudice.

Please **replace** Claims 1, 3, 6, 8, 11, 15, 16, 18, and 29 with the following **amended** claims that have the corresponding numbers.

1. (Amended) A system for capturing images of cells or cell structures, the system comprising:

a cell holder comprising a plurality of sites in a spatial orientation, each of the sites being capable of holding a plurality of cells to be imaged;